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We delivered reftel demarche to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Middle East and International Security and Disarmament Directorates. In a statement read to poloff, the Middle East Directorate said, "The Government of Indonesia welcomes and supports the Mecca Agreement between Fatah and Hamas, and expects it will be implemented through the formation of a national unity government in the near future. The GOI considers the agreement to be an important achievement and strategic move, and hopes the international community, and especially the Quartet, will give the agreement positive consideration." Local media have also reported that Foreign Minister Hassan Wirajuda said the Government of Indonesia has congratulated the Palestinian authority, "especially Hamas, which succeeded in forming a unity government. We hope that the process of dialogue and peace with Israel will move forward better than before."

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